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FROM AMBASSADOR VANCE, USDEL, CND

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UN COORDINATION OF SOMNIFERUM STRAW RESEARCH

REFERENCE: A) GENEVA 1104; B) STATE 35726;
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1. MARTENS SAYS THAT HE HAS OF COURSE NOT YET HAD TIME
GIVE DETAILED CONSIDERATION TO FUND PRIORITIES TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT US PROPOSAL CONCERNING POPPY STRAW
RESEARCH REGARDING WHICH WE HAVE OF COURSE BEEN CON-
SULTING HIM. HOWEVER, HE BELIEVES THAT LIMITED AVAIL-
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ABLE RESOURCES SHOULD BE DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO COUNTRY

PROGRAMS AND NOTES THAT PROJECT PREPARATION MISSIONS WILL BE PROCEEDING TO BURMA, LAOS AND PAKISTAN WITHIN NEXT TWO OR THREE MONTHS. MARTENS STATES FURTHER HE IS SURE THAT CND WOULD SHARE HIS VIEW THAT FOCUS FOR EXISTING FUNDS SHOULD BE ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RATHER THAN RESEARCH.

2. MARTENS STILL HAS NO FIRM COMMITMENTS RE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED THIS MEETING. HOWEVER HE NOTES THAT VARIOUS DELS HAVE INDICATED THAT ON BASIS DISCUSSION IN CND AND UNFDAC REPORT, THEY MAY BE IN POSITION ANNOUNCE ADDITIONAL PLEDGES. OF COURSE, AS DEPT AWARE, CANADA HAS ALREADY PLEDGED AN ADDITIONAL \$600,000 FOR TOTAL CONTRIBUTION FROM THAT COUNTRY OF \$1 MILLION THROUGH 1976. UK DELEGATE HAS INFORMED US HE WILL CONFIRM HMB'S THIRD ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION. OTHER COUNTRIES FROM WHICH ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS REMAIN POSSIBLE INCLUDE JAPAN, FRG, FRANCE AND AUSTRALIA. WE WILL CONTINUE PRESS THESE AND OTHER DELS.

3. I MOST STRONGLY REITERATE MY RECOMMENDATION REFTEL A THAT I BE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE USG ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO UNFDAC OF \$2 MILLION, WITH PORTION THEREOF EARMARKED FOR LAB FOR STRAW RESEARCH.

4. I WAS SENT HERE TO CND TO BEGIN IMPLEMENTATION PRESIDENT'S DECISION ON OPIUM AND POPPY STRAW. AS I INDICATED IN MY PREVIOUS MESSAGE, I CONSIDER IT ABSOLUTE NECESSITY IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL HERE THAT WE MOVE IN RESEARCH DIRECTION. NOT ONLY MUST THIS BE RESEARCH BY COUNTRIES, COORDINATED BY UN, BUT ALSO WITH UN LAB IN POSITION ITSELF TO CONTRACT RESEARCH IN PROPER COUNTRIES, INCLUDING INDIA IN PARTICULAR, IN MANNER TO ACCELERATE RESULTS. IN MY JUDGMENT, UN ROLE IS KEY AND WOULD NOT BE FUNDED UNLESS WE MAKE THIS CONTRIBUTION PARTLY EARMARKED FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE IN QUESTION.

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